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have a municipal county, you have at least one municipality and you have the area in a county outside of that municipality. They would have joined, they would have merged. Now once that happens, you may or may not have other municipalities in the county. But if they do not join, then you have to find a financing mechanism so that they can continue to deliver services to their patron, to their constituents. Now we're talking in that instance about two different kinds of services. We're talking about the municipal services that they had always rendered, but we also had to be concerned about the county services that were previously rendered on behalf of the residents of the municipality by the county. What kind of services are those? Register of Deeds--persons living within the municipality would still continue to transfer property. You have to have a place to record the deeds. It was not feasible to think that they would create their own register of deeds office. They would need the services of a treasurer, county treasurer to collect taxes. They would need the services of an assessor to determine the valuation of property within the municipality for taxation. You would have to have someone to run elections, for example. You might still...you would have some need for police services if you had, for example, contracted with the county for those services. Anyway, you can think of the list. There are a number of services that the county was offering to the municipality. The municipal county would still have to offer those services, but in some way we had to find a way for the residents of the municipality to pay a portion of those costs. That's the structure contained in the committee amendment or in the amendment that came from the Revenue Committee. It says we're going to give the municipal county a levy of \$1. We're going to give the municipality that is not a part of the municipal county a levy of 90 cents. We are going to, in effect, allow the municipal county to bill the municipality for county services that are continuing to be delivered to that municipality that is not a part of the municipal county. And we've set up a structure for determining the amount of that bill. It is based on the amount budgeted by the municipal county...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: ...for those specific functions and then